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D10 Virtual Spring Mtg: Tuesday, April 14, 2020

AGENDA

6:30 Meeting begins

- Approval of today's agenda & district meeting minutes: 1st- Andrea Gay, 2nd- Reba Bridges
- Call to order and introductions: Rachel Niewiada, Andrea Gay, Andrew LaJoie, Sarah Malone, Kyle Cain, Laura Oprea, Kristina Vidal, Jack Phillipson, Candice Sytsma, Erin Gilbert, Erin Stier, Jake Oaster, Denise Beauchamp, Jamie Steinmen, Reba Bridges, Erik Love, Addie Clock, Rachael Plantinga, Jeanette Doehring, Marisa Plouhar, Beth Gazella, David VanZytveld, Grant Carmichael, Jonathan Mayo

- 2020 Festival Data

HS Choral Festival

- 86 events compared to last year: 82 events
 - Division I Rating: 69 Choirs
 - Division II Rating: 13 Choirs
 - Division III Rating: 1 Choir
 - NR: 3 Choirs

MS Choral Festival

- 80 events compared to last year: 82 events
 - Division I Rating: 57 Choirs
 - Division II Rating: 14 Choirs
 - Division III Rating: 1 Choir
 - CO: 1 Choir
 - NR: 3 Choirs
 - NS: 1 Choir, 3 Dropped

HS S&E Festival

- 346 events compared to last year: 338 events
- 288 soloists compared to last year: 261 soloists
 - Division I Rating: 179 Soloists
 - Division IIS Rating: 18 Soloists

- Division II Rating: 39 Soloists
 - Division III Rating: 1 Soloist
 - NR (measures not numbered): 1 Soloist
 - NS: 50 Soloists (25 cancellations)
- 58 SE/LE (28 SE/30 LE) compared to last year 77 SE/LE (29 SE/48 LE)
 - Division I Rating: 43 Ensembles
 - Division IIS Rating: 5 Ensembles
 - Division II Rating: 5 Ensembles
 - NS: 5 Ensembles (2 cancellations)
- Financial Report
 - Current balance: \$7,718.59 compared to beginning balance of this year: \$8,088.69
 - This is great considering we added fees for digital audio recordings and digital photos this year for every Choral Festival ensemble.
- Reminder about MSVMA Choral Music Education Scholarship
 - \$10,000 to one outstanding high school choral senior pursuing a degree in choral music education. The scholarship is paid in increments of \$1250 per semester for a 4-year college degree. The applicant must graduate from an MSVMA member school, attend a Michigan college (the list of schools is available on msvma.org), and have already been accepted to a collegiate music program. The student must maintain a 3.0 gpa. [Applications](#) are due **May 1, 2020** and will be awarded mid- May.
- New Business from January Board Mtg
 - We will use the same scheduler next year that we used this year
 - For conflicts, please still write on the invoices. There is a comment box online, but those requests will not be honored. (We will see if we can remove the comment box altogether on the scheduler).
 - Choral Festival Rule Changes
 - Artistic Staging/Movement now allowed (but not choreography)
 - Gospel music now allowed
 - Unpitched percussion may be used on an a cappella piece
 - Repertoire Suggestions to Brandon Ulrich
 - Can be made up to Dec. 1
- State nominations:
 - Executive Board President Elect (2021)
 - Adam Wurst
 - Executive Board Treasurer (2021)
 - *enter names here*

- Executive Board Secretary (2021)
 - **Laura Oprea**
- Executive Board Director of State Festivals (Choral and Solo & Ensemble) (2021)
 - **enter names here**
- Executive Board Director of Specialized Festivals (2021)
 - **enter names here**
- Executive Board Director of Summer Conference and Michigan Youth Arts Festival (2021)
 - **enter names here**

SUGGESTIONS for HC Directors to be given to the HC Committee

- MS Honors Choir Directors (MMC 2023)
 - (6-7-8, SA) **Rebecca Balkon, Andrea Gay**
 - (7-8-9, SSA) **Rebecca Balkon, Andrea Gay, Erin Stier**
 - (7-8-9, TTB) **Rebecca Balkon, Les Rowsey, Mark Webb**
 - HS Honors Choir Directors (MMC 2023)
 - (SSAA) **Carrie Hoeksema**
 - (TTBB) **Mark Webb**
 - (SATB) **Jim Borst**
 - Teacher of the Year (2021)
 - **Carrie Hoeksema, Deb Andre**
 - Emeritus Membership (2021)
 - **Steven Waters (retired 2019, double check)**
- ***Tentative District Festival 2021 dates:***
 - HS Solo & Ensemble
 - Date: **Saturday, January 23, 2021** (due to MMC 2021 being Jan 28-30)
 - Location: **GVSU** (pending confirmation)
 - Application/Postmark deadline: December 4, 2020
 - Host: GVSU
 - HS Choral Festival
 - Date: **February 8, 9, 11, 12, 2021** (M, Tu, Th, F)
 - Location: **Grand Rapids Christian HS (8th)**, Caledonia HS (9th), East Kentwood HS (11th), **TBD** (12th)
 - **Ottawa Hills HS as alternate host school**
 - Application/Postmark deadline: January 8, 2021
 - Hosts: Candice Sytsma, Kara Stevens, Carrie Hoeksema, Erin Stier
 - Junior High / MS Choral Festival
 - Date: **March 1, 2, 3, 4** (half day), **2021** (M, Tu, W, Th half day)
 - Location: **TBD** (1st), Grandville HS (2nd) & **TBD** (3rd & 4th)
 - Application/Postmark deadline: January 22, 2021
 - Host: **TBD**, Reba Bridges, Carrie Ledet, Sarah Allmon

- MS Solo & Ensemble
 - Date: **Saturday, May 1, 2021**
 - Location: Crestwood MS
 - Application/Postmark deadline: March 19, 2021
 - Host: Andrea Gay
- Other information:
 - Michigan Music Conference 2021
 - Jan 28 - 30
 - Stay tuned for an email from Erik Jacobson about online adjudication for groups that were unable to perform i.e. State Choral Festival, State S&E, etc.
 - UDP Recording vote to do only digital audio recordings (no CDs)
 - 1st- Laura Oprea 2nd- Erik Love
 - John Dykstra Photography is sending out digital photos of HS & MS Choral Festival this week via email. Physical photos will be handed out at the Fall D10 Meeting.
 - On Facebook, check out the **MSVMA Discussion Group**. Zoom meetings are scheduled periodically if you want to connect with other directors around the state. Directors have been using [this Google Sheet](#) to combine lesson ideas if you're interested.
 - Other helpful online resources: Loom, ToneSavvy, NoteFlight, Sight Reading Factory, musictheory.net, flat.io, Soundtrap, Smartmusic
 - If anyone is interested in shadowing as a DM next year, please let Rachel know! :) :) :) You will feel so much better prepared as you take over for the 2021-2022 school year.
- D10 concerns to be presented at the June Full Board Meeting
 - Membership Fee for directors of multiple schools / small schools
- Next Meeting
 - Tuesday, September 15th @ Grandville Middle School
 - 6pm Dinner, 6:30pm Meeting
- Food for Thought / Closing Remarks
- Adjournment: 1st- Rachel Niewiada 2nd- Erik Love